UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Farm Service Agency Washington, DC 20250 **Notice LP-1747**

For: State and County Offices

Self-Certification Under the Debt Collection Improvement Act of 1996 (DCIA)

Approved by: Deputy Administrator, Farm Programs

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1 Overview

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Background

DCIA provides, among other things, that a person owing a delinquent nontax debt to the Federal Government is ineligible for Federal financial assistance including direct loans (other than disaster loans) or loan insurance or guarantee.

Notice LP-1730 provided policies and procedures for barring Federal debtors from obtaining commodity loans and LDP's. Notice LP-1742 temporarily suspends the use of Credit Alert Interactive Voice Response System (CAIVRS) because of a technical problem and CCC funding.

B Purpose

This notice instructs County Offices of new procedures for implementing DCIA about loans, LDP's, and farm storage facility loans (FSFL).

Disposal Date	Distribution
May 1, 2001	State Offices; State Offices relay to County Offices and FAX to CMA's and LSA's

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2 Action

A County Office Action

County Offices shall **not** approve:

- FSFL, loans, or LDP's to producers who are in claim status within ACS
- loans or LDP's to producers who are known to have other delinquent nontax Federal debts.

For loan and LDP applications, as part of the eligibility determinations, County Offices shall:

- have producers self-certify that they are not delinquent on any nontax Federal debts
- review tickler reports.

B Objective

For the purpose of the producer's certification statement, County Offices shall modify CCC-666 LDP, CCC-709, SU-2, CCC-633(Honey), Cotton AA, and CCC-666 to include the following statement until new forms are available:

"I certify that I am not delinquent on any Federal non-tax debts".

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